

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-3 are pending in this application. Claims 4-6 stand withdrawn.

By this Amendment, claim 1 is amended to recite additional features disclosed in the specification at, for example, paragraph 0023. The title is amended, as the Examiner suggested.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to acknowledge consideration of the references listed on, and to return an initialed copy of, the Form PTO-1449 submitted with the January 27, 2006 Information Disclosure Statement.

The Office Action objects to the title. The title is amended, as the Examiner suggested. Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection to the title is respectfully requested.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-3 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over U.S. Patent No. 6,366,017 to Antoniadis et al. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 1 is amended to recite a hole-injection layer disposed directly on, and adjacent to, an electrode, the hole-injection layer injecting holes supplied by the electrode into a light-emitting layer, as outlined above. Antoniadis does not disclose or suggest these features.

In particular, Antoniadis discloses a configuration having a substrate 10, an anode 12, a hole transport layer 14, an electron transport layer/emissive layer 16, an electron injection layer 18, and a transparent conducting layer 20. Antoniadis discloses a conductive layer 13 between anode 12 and hole transport layer 14. See Fig. 1. Antoniadis does not disclose or suggest a hole-injection layer that is formed directly on an electrode, and injects holes supplied by the electrode into a light-emitting layer. Therefore, Antoniadis does not disclose each and every element recited in claim 1.

For at least the above reasons, Antoniadis does not disclose or suggest the subject matter recited in claim 1, and claims 2 and 3 depending therefrom. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-3 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-3 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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